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COMMUNICATION FORWARDING FORMAL DRAWING

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification of July 1, 2004, and further to a telephone conversation of July 27, 2004 with Ms. Tony Hood of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Applicants submit Figure 6 (one sheet) of the Corrected Formal Drawings. Applicants had previously submitted Figures 1-5 (seven sheets) on March 17, 2004, with the payment of the Issue Fee (see Communication Forwarding Formal Drawings), and earlier on February 26, 2003, in response to the Office Action of October 22, 2002 (paper 13).


This response is believed to comply with the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification. With this submission, all of the Formal Drawings (Figures 1-6) have been submitted. The Figures are described in the specification, BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS, page 4, lines 1-26. This response is timely filed within one month of the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification.

Applicants thank Ms. Hood for her helpful assistance.

Notice of the approval of the Corrected Drawing is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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